

**(20-29) Western Carolina County Fair**

Enjoy cotton candy, exhibits and the usual fair flair! 648-8955 [www.aikenjays.com](http://www.aikenjays.com)

**(29) 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Steeplechase**

Ford Conger Field, Powderhouse Rd., [www.steeplechase.com](http://www.steeplechase.com) 648-9641

**(28) Halloween Carnival**

Aiken County Rec. Center, Hwy. 1 Graniteville, (6-9p) Our spooky ghouls will test the bravest nerves! 663-6142

**(29) Halloween Hoopla**

Games, inflatables, contest, trick or treat, refreshments and an egg haunt. City of Aiken Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department, 642-7648

**(19-22) "Peaceful" Hearts Quilt Show**

Riverview Park Activities Center, 441-4311

**(29) Jack O Lantern Jubilee**

Downtown North Augusta's annual fall celebration. Crafts, games, costume contest. 441-4311

**NOVEMBER**

**(4-6) 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Intertribal Pow Wow**

Langley Pond, US. 1 & Langley Dam Rd. Celebrate the tradition of Native Americans at this 3 day event. Primitive camping available. Call ahead for reservations. 663-9289

**(7-27) 25th Annual Quilt Show**

Aiken County Historical Museum, featuring the local talent. 642-2015

**(11) Girls Night Out**

Ages 6-12 girls only will enjoy feasting on pizza and selected movies! \$5 (8p-12a) Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville, 663-6142

**(25) Caroling and Tree Ceremony**

Newberry St. Festival Center, Aiken. Lighting and reading of "The Night Before Christmas" (5:30-9p) Aiken Downtown Dev. Association 649-2221 or visit [www.downtownaiken.com](http://www.downtownaiken.com)

**(28) Christmas Tree Lighting**

North Augusta, Calhoun Park 441-4300

**(26) World Famous Salley Chitlin Strut**

Salley Civic Center & Fairgrounds. Thousands are drawn to this event for a 100 yr. old southern tradition. Carnival rides, parade, hawg-calling & strut contest! 258-3485

**DECEMBER**

**(1) Carols in The Park**

Living History Park, North Augusta. Enjoy Christmas music by a variety of groups. 441-4311

**(2-3) Christmas Craft Show**

Odell Weeks Center, 1700 Whiskey Rd., Aiken. Great shopping opportunity! (9a-5p) 642-7648

**(2, 9, 16) Wagener Movie Nights**

Christmas movies, popcorn & juice! (7p-9p) Roy Warner Park, Hwy. 39, Wagener 564-6149

**(3) Pancake Breakfast**

Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. (9a-11:30a) \$6 per plate

**(4) North Augusta Lions Club Annual Christmas Parade**

Downtown Georgia Ave., North Augusta. 3p, fantastic floats and Christmas celebration!

**(12-16) Kids Christmas Camp**

Harrison Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. (\$18 day/\$40 wk.) 593-4698

**(10-26) Christmas in Hopelands**

Hopelands, Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Pl., Aiken. Spectacular lights! Tentative dates, 642-7631

**(17) Parent's Day Out**

Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville, ages 6-12. \$10 each. (9a-2p) 663-6142

**(22) Santa's Visit**

Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. (3p-5p) \$2 per person, 663-6142

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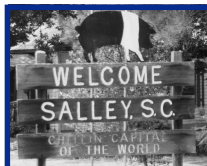
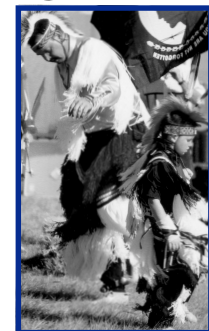


# Aiken County

## SOUTH CAROLINA

# 2005

# Calendar



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## QUICK REFERENCE

**Aiken Center for the Arts**

122 Laurens St. SW, Aiken, 641-9094

[www.aikencenterforthearts.org](http://www.aikencenterforthearts.org)

**Aiken Community  
Playhouse**

@ The Washington Center for the Arts

124 Newberry St., Aiken 648-1438

[www.aikencommunityplayhouse.com](http://www.aikencommunityplayhouse.com)

**Aiken County  
Historical Museum**

433 Newberry St., Aiken, 642-2015

[www.aikencounty.net/tourism/](http://www.aikencounty.net/tourism/)

[aikencountymuseum](http://aikencountymuseum)

**Aiken County Parks,  
Recreation & Tourism**

902 Vauduse Rd., Aiken (Physical)

828 Richland Ave. West, Aiken (Mail)

[www.aikencountysc.gov/tourism](http://www.aikencountysc.gov/tourism)

642-7557

**Dupont Planetarium**

471 University Pkwy., 641-3654

[www.xpsec.usca.edu/dupontplanetarium](http://www.xpsec.usca.edu/dupontplanetarium)

**Etheredge Center  
Playhouse**

471 University Pkwy., 641-3305

[www.usca.edu/ec](http://www.usca.edu/ec)

**Riverview Park Activities Center**

100 Riverview Park Drive, N. Augusta, 441-4311

[www.northaugusta.net](http://www.northaugusta.net)

**H. Odell Weeks Recreation Center**

1700 Whiskey Rd., Aiken, 642-7631

[www.aiken.net/recreation](http://www.aiken.net/recreation)

**Redcliffe Plantation  
State Historic Site**

181 Redcliffe Rd., Aiken 827-1473

**Aiken County Area Code: (803)**

**JANUARY**

**(4-29) Art Exhibition**

Etheredge Center, Aiken. Lower Gallery, Kim Carter / Upper Gallery, Hooper Turner 266-5831

**(5, 12, 22) Equestrian Events**

Sporting Days Farm, 3549 Charleston Hwy, Aiken. (8:30a-4p) 648-0100 or 649-7075,

[sdaikenht@aol.com](mailto:sdaikenht@aol.com). [www.sportingdaysfarm.com](http://www.sportingdaysfarm.com)

**(7, 8, 21, 22) "In My Backyard"**

Dupont Planetarium, (7p & 8p) Children will enjoy storytelling, poetry and song as they learn about the seasons, Usra Major, planets, meteors, and the moon featuring the voice of Fred Penner. \$4.50 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$2.50 children-12th grade. Reservations required. 641-3654

**(4-Feb. 20) "In My Mind's Eye" Photography Exhibit**

Aiken County Historical Museum, 433 Newberry St., Aiken. Photography exhibit by

D. Baumgarten. T-F (9:30a-4:30p) Sat-Sun (2-5p) 642-2015

**(15, 16) 52nd Aiken Camellia Show- Aiken Mall**

This annual show features Japanese flower arranging demo and a Bonsai display.

Sat (3-8p), Sun (1-6p) Hosted by the Aiken Camellia Society, contact Lee Poe at 648-8249.

**(20) Art After Hours, Aiken Art Galleries**

The galleries stay open late for viewing pleasure, 6-9p 641-9094

**(21) Opera Verdi Euopa presents "Carmen"**

Etheredge Center, Bulgarian musicians, singers and dancers compose this successful

company's traditions of the art of opera. \$40, 641-3305

**(21-22) "Chapter Two"**

Aiken Community Playhouse, (8p) Neil Simon draws on personal experience to tell the story of a widowed novelist who, despite his fears that he will never love again, falls into a passionate

romance. Washington Center for the Arts, \$15 ad., \$13 sen., \$10 stu., \$6 child. under 12. 648-1438

**(24-28) CSRA Live Extravaganza- TBA**

**(29) Community Yard Sale & "Ice Cold" Tournament**

Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. \$5 per space, bring your own set ups. Concessions

are available. Softball Tournament entries are \$125 per team, double elimination. 593-4698

**FEBRUARY**

**(1) The Second City Touring Company**

Etheredge Center, 7p, main stage

**(1-25) Etheredge Center Artist Exhibition**

Lower Gallery, paintings by Susan Grabber / Upper Gallery, prints by Mary Robinson 641-3305

**(3) Antiques in the Heart of Aiken Preview Party**

Aiken Center for the Arts, \$50 each/ \$95 for two to preview and purchase items in advance of the

show. (7-9p) Includes weekend pass to the Antique Show 641-9094

**(4-6) Antiques in the Heart of Aiken**

Aiken Center for the Arts, Fri.-Sat. (10a-6p), Sun. (12-5p) \$6 buys a 3-day pass to see and purchase

fine antiques from more than 20 specialized dealers from across the nation. Lunch available for

purchase in the Sweetheart Tea Room.

**(4) "Prague Symphony Orchestra"**

Etheredge Center. Known for the Czech films in the 1930's. A large ensemble that achieves a

high performance standard and is internationally renown. \$40, 8p., 641-3305

**(4, 5, 18, 19) "Follow the Drinking Gourd"**

Dupont Planetarium, (7 & 8p) A slave family's tale of how they used song & stars to find

freedom. Reservations required. 641-3654

**(10) Family Conference**

Smith Hazel Recreation Center, The Aiken Center and Aiken County PRT join forces to host this

event at Smith Hazel Recreation Center. (9a-5p) 663-6142

**(12) "African American Experience at Redcliffe"**

African Americans of Redcliffe, Silver Bluff, Cathwood, and Cowden Plantations. Program

includes booklet with documentation, illustrations and photographs. Tours of the slave

quarters and the mansion are included. Event takes place indoors and outdoors, bring a

jacket / umbrella. (10a-12p) \$6 adult, \$4.50 children, 827-1473

**(10) Sporting Days Art Show**

3rd Annual Invitational Sporting Art Show at the Aiken Center for the Arts. 641-9094

**(12) The Valley Cup**

Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. Adult soccer tournament, \$125. 593-4698

**(12-13) Sporting Days Weekend Continues**

USAE/USEF recognized Horse Trials. Annual Red Cross event includes exhibition, student

art show, and a hunt breakfast. 641-4152 or email: [amerred@bellsouth.net](mailto:amerred@bellsouth.net)

**(14) "An Evening of Champagne, Dessert and Love Songs"**

Etheredge Center, Aiken. Masterwork Choral, (8p) 641-3305

**(17) Art After Hours**

Aiken area galleries stay open late to showcase the talents exhibited in each gallery. 6-9p

**(17-20) Aiken Women's Heart Board Benefit.**

A great performance and a worthy cause. \$20 (8p, Th-F) (\$15, Sat-2p or Sun-3p) 642-5458

**(23) Equestrian Events**

Sporting Days Farm, 3549 Charleston Hwy, Aiken. (8:30a-4p) 648-0100 or 649-7075,

[sdaikenht@aol.com](mailto:sdaikenht@aol.com). [www.sportingdaysfarm.com](http://www.sportingdaysfarm.com)

**(25) Saint Petersburg Ballet Theater presents "Giselle"**

Etheredge Center, Aiken. They are considered the younger brother of the Kirov and the Bolshoi

Ballet Theatre. Academic and highly technically trained dancers. 8p, \$40 641-3305

**(25) Battle of Aiken, (School Field Trip only)**

"The States' largest field trip!" To arrange your public, private or home school visit,

call 642-2500 or 649-9475 or visit [www.battleofaiken.org](http://www.battleofaiken.org). Free

**(26) Community Yard Sale & Winter Thaw Softball Tournament**

Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. Yard Sale space is (\$5), bring your own set ups.

Concessions will be available. Tournament is \$125 per team. 593-4698

**(26-27) Battle Of Aiken**

Exit 18 off I-20 to Powell Pond Rd., Aiken. Get into the heart of the Civil War this weekend.

Recently named the best event in South Carolina. 642-2500/649-9475, [www.battleofaiken.org](http://www.battleofaiken.org)

**(19) Black History Program**

Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. Celebration of Black History. 663-6142

**MARCH**

**(March-mid Nov.) "The Big Mo" Monetta Drive-In Theater**

The souths only operating Drive In! Exit 33 off I-20, U.S. 1, Monetta. (Fri., Sat., & Sun.) Gates open

6:30p and 1st movie starts at 7:45 p. Adults (12 and over): \$5 Child (4-11): \$2, (3 and under) free.

Visit [www.drive-in.omniplane.com](http://www.drive-in.omniplane.com) for show listings and special events. 685-7949

**(March-April) The South Carolina State Quilt Show**

Aiken County Historical Museum is host to featured quilters from all over South Carolina.

T-F (9:30a-4:30p) Sat. & Sun. (2p-5p) 642-2015

**(1) Sharyn McCrumb, Appalachian Writer**

Etheredge Center, Aiken. 8p. 641-3305

**(1, 2, 9) Equestrian Events**

Sporting Days Farm, 3549 Charleston Hwy, Aiken. (8:30a-4p) 648-0100 or 649-7075,

[sdaikenht@aol.com](mailto:sdaikenht@aol.com). [www.sportingdaysfarm.com](http://www.sportingdaysfarm.com)

**(1-29) Photography Exhibit**

Etheredge Center, Al Fordyce exhibits in the Lower Gallery. 641-3305

**(3) Magellen Quartet**

Etheredge Center, Aiken. 7:30p

**(3-28) Aiken County Historical Society Art Show**

Etheredge Center, Upper Gallery, 641-3305

**(4, 5, 18, 19) "More Than Meets The Eye"**

Dupont Planetarium (7 & 8p) Visitors will learn how to identify objects in the sky using the

untrained eye, binoculars and telescopes. \$4.50 adults, \$3.50 seniors,

\$2.50 children-12th grade. Reservations required. 641-3654



**(5- April 3) Southeastern Regional Sculpture Competition**  
Aiken County Historical Museum, 433 Newberry St., Aiken. T-F (9:30a-4:30p) Sat. & Sun. (2p-5p)  
Inside and outside exhibit featuring large and small sculpture, cash prizes awarded. The judge is Richard Hunt, world-famous sculptor from Chicago. 642-2015

**(8, 15, 22, 29) Story Time In The Gardens**  
Hopelands, Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Pl., Aiken. Great stories on the lawn each Tues. 642-7631

**(10-13 & 18-20) “Shadowlands”, Aiken Community Playhouse**  
Washington Center, Newberry St., Aiken. C.S. Lewis finds that the simple answers don’t apply when it comes to love and personal suffering when he marries an American fan. Fri-Sat, (8p) Sun. matinee (3p) \$15 ad., \$13 sen., \$10 stu., \$6 child. under 12. 648-1438

**(12) University of Georgia Southeastern Regional Collegiate Sprints**  
Langley Pond, Hwy. 1 & Langley Dam Rd. Strong competition from collegiate rowers of the Southeast emerge on Langley Pond, Aiken County’s first class rowing facility. 642-7559

**(12) 29th Annual Triple Crown Road Race**  
10 mile, 2 mile, 1 mile, tot trot and 1/2 mile fun run. 648-7042, [www.runaiken.com](http://www.runaiken.com)

**(4) March Madness 3 on 3 Tournament**  
Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. \$25/team, One day, double elimination. 593-4698

**(11) Girls Night Out**  
Ages 6-12, \$5 ea. (8p-12 a) Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville, 663-6142

**(16) Art After Hours, Aiken Art Galleries**  
Aiken area galleries stay open late for viewing pleasure, 6-9p. 641-9094

**(17) Middle School Mania**  
8-11p, Riverview Park Activities Center North Augusta. 441-4311

**(19) Augusta Invitational Regatta**  
Langley Pond, Hwy. 1 & Langley Dam Rd. Strong competition of collegiate rowers across the U.S. at Aiken County’s first class rowing facility. Don’t miss this unique sporting event! 642-7559

**(19) 65th Aiken Trials (Triple Crown)**  
Aiken Training Track, 1st of 3 events. The most promising racing thoroughbreds in the world compete. 2 & 3-yr. old horses are under full grandstand conditions. 648-8955  
[www.aikenjaycees.com/trials](http://www.aikenjaycees.com/trials)

**(19) “In My Backyard”**  
Dupont Planetarium, 641-3769. <http://tpsec.usca.edu/dupontplanetarium> Children will enjoy story telling, poetry, and song as they learn about the seasons, Ursa Major, planets, meteors and the moon. (7 & 8p)

**(20) Sporting Days Horse Trials**  
Sporting Days Farm, 3549 Charleston Hwy., Aiken USEF/USEA recognized horse trials. (8:30a-4p) 648-0100, 649-7075 [sdaikenh1@aol.com](mailto:sdaikenh1@aol.com) [www.sportingdaysfarm.com](http://www.sportingdaysfarm.com)

**(23) Eggs In The Park**  
Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. Easter Bunny visits the children at the park and children always enjoy a fun egg hunt. Ages 10 and under. 593-4698

**(25) Triple Crown Street Fair**  
Newberry Festival Center (6-11p) Enjoy the night with entertainment and dance. 642-7631

**(26) Bunny Bop-N-Hop**  
Odell Weeks Recreation Center, Whiskey Rd, Aiken. 642-7631

**(26) Aiken Spring Steeplechase (Triple Crown)**  
Ford Conger Field, Powderhouse Rd. Steeplechasing includes all the thrills and speed of horse racing at flat tracks. Gates open: 9a /Post time :1p. \$10 adv., \$15 gate. Ages 6 and under free. Aiken Steeplechase Association, 648-9641 or visit [www.aikensteeplechase.com](http://www.aikensteeplechase.com)

**(31-April 3) “Smoke on the Mountains”**  
University Theatre production, 8p, Sunday matinee at 3p at the Etherredge Center, 641-2847

**(26) Easter Egg Hunt**  
North Augusta at Lions Memorial Field, 10am, 441-4311

APRIL

**(1-29) Painting Exhibit**  
Laura Spong, Lower Gallery in the Etherredge Center. 641-3305

**(1-3) Boys AAU Super Regional Basketball Tournament**  
Ages 14-17 at Riverview Activities Center, North Augusta. 441-4311

**(1, 2, 15, 16) “Crusing Through the Constellations”**  
Dupont Planetarium, 7 & 8p. A guided tour through the heavens, explaining seasons, visibility, stars and stories. \$4.50 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$2.50 children-12th grade. Reservations required. 641-3654

**(2) Aiken Triple Crown, Polo Match**  
Powderhouse Polo Field, Aiken. The final event of the Aiken Triple Crown. Sponsored by the USCA Pacer Club and the Aiken Polo Club. Randy Warrick, 641-3406.

**(2) Community Yard Sale & John Harrison Softball Tournament**  
Yard Sale space (\$5), bring your own set ups. Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. Tournament fee is \$125 per team. 593-4698

**(4-8) Graniteville Spring Break Camp**  
(7:30a-6p, M-F) Aiken County Rec Center, Hwy 1, Graniteville. Ages 6-12 enjoy arts, crafts, movies, games, and of tons of fun! Breakfast, lunch and snacks served. (\$40 wk.) 663-6142

**(4-8) Clearwater Spring Break Camp**  
(8a-5p, M-F) Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. Elem. age children enjoy games, cards, movies, bingo, coloring, and face painting! (\$18 day/\$40 wk.) 593-4698

**(5- May 29) “Fabrications” Professional Art Quilters Alliance**  
Aiken County Historical Museum, 433 Newberry St., Aiken. T-F (9:30a-4:30p) Sat. & Sun. (2-5p) 642-2015

**(5, 12, 19, 26) Story Time In The Gardens**  
Kids enjoy great stories on the lawn each Tuesday. Hopelands, Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(6, 13) Equestrian Events**  
Sporting Days Farm, 3549 Charleston Hwy, Aiken. (8:30a-4p) 648-0100 or 649-7075, [www.sportingdaysfarm.com](http://www.sportingdaysfarm.com)

**(8-9, 15-17, 22-23) “5 Women Wearing the Same Dress”**  
Aiken Comm. Playhouse at the Washington Center (8p, or Sun. matinee at 3p.) 648-1438

**(12) Annual Spring Formal**  
Etherredge Center, Aiken Community Band, 8p, 641-3305

**(15-16) March For Parks- Earth Expo Day**  
Earth Day event to help save threatened public parks and historic sites. Fish fry, fashion and talent shows, silent auction, parade, music, African drummers and vendors. Fri (6-9p) and Sat (8a-3p) 649-7709

**(15-17) Olde Towne Artisans’ Fair**  
Living History Park, corner of Spring Grove Ave. and Lake Ave., North Augusta. A juried invitational show featuring the highest quality in fine art, traditional crafts, contemporary art, original artworks and fine reproductions. Friday Preview Party, (6-9p w/admission fee) No charge for Sat. (10a-6p) or Sun. (10a-4p) 279-7560 or [www.colonialtimes.us](http://www.colonialtimes.us)

**(16) Beech Island Heritage Day**  
Granville Plantation, 6198 Atomic Rd. Festival features living history demonstrations, crafters, and the 300+-yr history of Beech Island. (10a-4p) 867-3600 or visit [www.beech-island-history.org](http://www.beech-island-history.org)

**(16) Earth Day**  
Lions Memorial Field, North Augusta 441-4311

**(17) 2nd Annual Cruise-In At The Park**  
Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. It’s time to show off your hot rods once again! Custom cars, motorcycles and trucks welcome. Entry fee, free admission. 593-4698

**(18-30) USCA Student Art Show**  
Upper Gallery, 641-3305

**(20-21) “Hansel and Gretel”- Etherredge Center**  
Playground Playhouse production at 7:30p, 641-3305

**21) Art After Hours, Aiken Art Galleries**  
The galleries stay open late for viewing pleasure, 6-9p. 641-9094

**(22) Senior Spring Fling**  
Aiken County Rec Center, Graniteville. Enjoy food, dance & music (7p-11p) \$5 per person 663-6142

**(23) Aiken Highland Games & Celtic Festival**  
Joycee Fairgrounds, US 1. A family fun-filled day of Scottish Games, dan information, Celtic music, Highland dancers, Border Collie demonstrations, and Scottish food and merchandise. (9a-5p) 648-1873 or [www.aikenscats.com](http://www.aikenscats.com)

**(23) A German Requiem by J. Brahms**  
Masterworks Choral and University Concert Choir at the Etherredge Center, (8p) 641-3305

**(29) The Spring Classic “Prodigy Performance”**  
Sandra Wolf-Meei Cameron, brings her world renown talents to Aiken in a classical program with the Augusta Symphony at the Etherredge Center (8p)

**(29- May 1) South Carolina YBOA Tournament**  
Riverview Park Activities Center, North Augusta. 441-4310

MAY

**(2, 9, 16, 23, 30) Hopelands Concert Series**  
Great music to enjoy on the lawn each Monday at Hopelands. Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(3) History of Horse Creek Valley**  
Aiken County Historical Museum, 433 Newberry St., Aiken. An exhibit of the interesting history of area Horse Creek Valley. Tues.-Fri. (9:30a-4:30p) Sat./Sun. (2p-5p) 642-2015

**(3, 10, 17, 23, 31) Story Time In The Gardens**  
Kids enjoy stories on the lawn each Tuesday. Hopelands, Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(6, 7, 20, 21) “Explorers of Mauna Kea”**  
Dupont Planetarium, (7 & 8p) Meet the “explorers” who operate the large telescopes on Mauna Kea, Hawaii, \$4.50 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$2.50 children-12th grade. Reservations required. 641-3654

**(7) Aiken/ Augusta Masters Rowing Association Regatta**  
Langley Pond, Hwy. 1 & Langley Dam Rd. Strong competition from master rowers . 642-7559

**(13-14) Aiken Bluegrass Festival**  
Newberry Street Festival Center will be the site to enjoy the new bluegrass sensation, Old Crow Medicine Show. [www.aikenbluegrassfestival.org](http://www.aikenbluegrassfestival.org)

**(14) Southeastern Youth Rowing Championships**  
Langley Pond, Hwy. 1 & Langley Dam Rd. Strong competition from collegiate rowers across the country are at Aiken County’s first class rowing facility. Don’t miss this unique sporting event! 642-7559

**(19) Art After Hours**  
The galleries stay open late for viewing pleasure, 6-9p. 641-9094

**(20,21, 27, 28 29) “Hello Dolly”**  
Aiken Community Playhouse presents this drama at the Washington Center for the Arts. This performance is full of memorable songs including “Hello Dolly!” and “It Only Takes a Moment”. Fri-Sat, (8p) Sun. (3p) \$15 adults, \$13 seniors, \$10 students, \$6 children under 12. 648-1438

JUNE

**(3-4) “Hello Dolly”**  
(See details above- May 20-29)

**(6, 13, 20, 27) Hopelands Concert Series**  
Great music to enjoy on the lawn each Monday at Hopelands. Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(3, 4, 17, 18) “Larry Cat In Space”**  
Dupont Planetarium, 8p./ The Digistar Virtual Journey - 9p. The first show takes Larry Cat to the moon. The program provides a unique look at the planet that is often called Earth’s sister. \$4.50 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$2.50 children-12th grade. The Digistar Virtual Journey takes you on the space truck to a virtual space station. \$5.50 adults, \$4.50 seniors, \$3.50 children-12th grade. Under 4 not permitted. Res. required for all shows. 641-3654

**(6-10) Summer Jump-Off Day Camp**  
Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421 Clearwater. (9a-5p) Water fun-filled camp. Lunch included. (\$18 day/\$40 wk.)

**(10) Dive In Movie**  
Aiken County Rec Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville (9p-12a) \$3 person. Swim & watch movies! 663-6142

**(14) Splash Days In Wagener**  
Roy Warner Park, Hwy. 39, Wagener (9a-2:30p) Water balloon toss, bucket races, swimming pools, water gun fights, sprinklers. Ages 7-10, 564-6149

**(15-25) Aiken Artist Guild Show**  
Aiken County Historical Museum, 433 Newberry St., Aiken, T-F (9:30a-4:30p) Sat. & Sun. (2p-5p) 642-2015

**(24) Midnight Swim**  
Aiken County Rec. Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. \$3 person, young adults and the older crowd has an opportunity to enjoy the pool (11p-2a) Must be 21 or older. 663-6142

**(24-26) Girls AAU Basketball Tournament**  
(ages 10-14) Riverview Park Activities Center, in North Augusta. 441-4311

**(25-26) Southeastern Regional Regatta**  
Langley Pond, Langley Dam Rd. & Hwy. 1. Competitive rowing at a premiere facility. 642-7559

JULY

**(1, 8, 15, 22, 29) Wet & Wild Friday**  
Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. Water games, balloon toss, slip and slide, contests, and more children’s games. Fire truck and firemen will educate and spray us! 593-4698

**(4, 11, 18, 25) Hopelands Concert Series**  
Great music to enjoy on the lawn each Monday at Hopelands. Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(15) Dive In Movie**  
Aiken County Rec Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville (9p-12midnight) \$3 person. Swim and watch movies! 663-6142

**(15,16, 17, 22,23) “18 Nervous Gumshoes”**  
Aiken Community Playhouse Youth Wing. Murder mystery, Hercules Porridge, the famous Hobolen detective, tries to discover who is behind the mysterious murders at Crooked House. Everyone is a suspect and each has a story to tell. F-Sat, (8p) Sun. (3p) \$15 adults, \$13 seniors, \$10 students, \$6 children under 12. 648-1438

**(July-August) The Aiken County Historical Museum**  
Aiken Artist Guild mixed media showcase of local artist. T-F (9:30a-4:30p) Sat., Sun. (2p-5p) 642-2015

**(12-15) The Nike Peach Jam**  
Riverview Park Act. Center, N. Augusta. Best H.S. basketball players in the country. 441-4311

**(16-17) “In My Backyard”/ Digistar Laser Show**  
Dupont Planetarium (8p) Storytelling, poetry and songs are used to learn of the planets, meteors and moon. \$4.50 ad., \$3.50 sen., \$2.50 child -12th grade. Digistar “Laser” Fantasy Show: (9p) \$5.50 ad., \$4.50 sen., \$3.50 child -12th gr. (No one under 4.) Res. required for all shows. 641-3654

**(24) Planters Pride Festival**  
Roy Warner Park, Hwy. 39, Wagener (9a-3p) Agricultural & heritage are the focus. Vendors, children’s area, antique tractor and car shows. Info. booths, lawn mower races. 564-6149

**(27-30) Nike Women’s Tournament**  
Riverview Park Activities Center, 441-4311

**(29) Midnight Swim**  
Aiken County Rec. Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. \$3 person, young adults and the older crowd has an opportunity to enjoy the pool. (11p-2a) Must be 21 or older. 663-6142

AUGUST

**(1) Annual Braids and Cuts Day & School Supply Give-A-Way**  
Aiken County Rec. Center, Hwy 1, Graniteville. Barbers & beauticians braid and cut hair at no cost to school children. (9a-3p) Pick up supplies for all school aged children. 663-6142

**(1, 8, 15, 22, 29) Hopelands Concert Series**  
Great music on the lawn each Monday at Hopelands. Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(5, 6, 19, 20) “Voyager Encounters” & Virtual Tour**  
Dupont Planetarium, 8p and Digistar Virtual Journey - 9p. The outstanding success of Voyager spacecrafts, launched in 1977. \$4.50 adults, \$3.50 seniors, \$2.50 children-12th grade. The Digistar Virtual Journey at 9 will take you on the space truck to a virtual space station. \$5.50 ad., \$4.50 sen., \$3.50 child. -12th grade. Under 4 not permitted. Res. required for ea. show. 641-3654

**(20) Basic Cooking 101**  
Aiken County Rec. Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. This day is just for kids who want to learn to cook! Preregistration required by Aug. 12 \$10 each, (10a-until...) 663-6142

**(25) Ping Pong Tournament**  
Harrison-Caver Park, Hwy. 421, Clearwater. \$5 entry fee. 593-4698

**(27) Masters Cat Show**  
Riverview Park Activities Center, 441-4311

SEPTEMBER

**(5) Rest Fest Celebration**  
Take the day off to relax. Enjoy a family festival with well-known entertainment, great food, games and a firework extravaganza. North Augusta’s Riverview Park. 441-4311

**(6, 13, 20, 27) Story Time In The Gardens**  
Great stories each Tuesday of the month. Hopelands, Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(10, 11) Catty Shack Cat Show**  
North Augusta’s Riverview Park Activities Center, 441-4311

**(16) Senior Cook-Off**  
Seniors welcome to participate! Cook your best meal here & enter the contest. \$5 fee. (12p-2p)

**(17) African American Festival**  
Aiken County Rec. Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. Lots of food, fun and entertainment. 663-6142

**(24) Step Show**  
Steppers & Dancers at the Aiken County Recreation Center, Hwy. 1, Graniteville. \$5, (6p-8p)

OCTOBER

**(1) St. Mary’s Chocolate Festival**  
118 York St., Aiken. Chocolate everywhere! A great way to benefit kids for kids! 649-4777

**(1) Horse Creek / Midland Valley Sassafras Festival**  
Hwy. 421, Burnetown, Carnival rides, great food & great entertainment all day! Enjoy the evening at the street dance, doing the Sassafras Shuffle! 593-2676

**(4, 11, 18, 25) Story Time In The Gardens**  
Kids enjoy stories on the lawn each Tuesday. Hopelands, Whiskey Rd. & Dupree Place, 642-7631

**(8) Augusta Kennel Dog Show**  
Riverview Park Activities Center, North Augusta 441-4311

**(8) Atomic City Festival**  
New Ellenton honors the former town of Ellenton. Car and truck show, entertainment, arts & crafts, games and down-home hospitality! 552-2214

**(15) Sweet Potato Festival**  
Jacksonville Community Center, Huber Clay Rd., Festival, entertainment, arts, crafts, games and the best sweet potato pies ever! 593-9260

**(15-16) Colonial Times: A Day To Remember Festival**  
Living History Park. Lake Ave. & Spring Grove, North Augusta. Colonial life is the focus of this top 20 festival in the Southeast. Sat. (10a-5p) Sun. (10a-3:30p) 279-7560 [www.colonialtimes.org](http://www.colonialtimes.org)